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FM AMEMBASSY ANKARA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7397
INFO AMCONSUL FRANKFURT
AMCONSUL ISTANBUL
AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

C O N F I D E N T I A L ANKARA 3421

SY CHANNEL

DEPT FOR A/SY; FRANKFURT FOR RSS; ISTANBUL AND BUENOS
AIRES FOR RSO

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJ: INTERIM RSO COVERAGE-AMEMBASSY ANKARA

REF: A) ANKARA 2963 (NOTAL) B) STATE 098667 (NOTAL),
C) DALTON/RSO RUNNER TELECON 5/3/77

1. PER REFTEL A, RSO RUNNER DEPARTING ANKARA JUNE 26
ABOARD LAST US FLAG CARRIER SERVICING ANKARA THAT
MONTH. PER REFTEL B, RSO TANNER DUE AT POST DURING
AUGUST (PRESUME LATE PART OF MONTH). THIS WILL LEAVE
RSO ANKARA POSITION VACANT APPROXIMATELY SIX-EITH
WEEKS.

2. RSO RUNNER HAS DISCUSSED NECESSITY FOR INTERIM
COVERAGE WITH DCM AND ADMIN COUNSELOR. WHIEL IT
IS FELT THAT RSO SORENSON, AMCONSUL ISTANBUL, IS
VERY CAPABLE OF COVERING TURKISH POSTS DURING SUMMER
MONTHS, IT IS FEARED THAT POLITICAL SITUATION MAY
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PREVENT HIS DEPARTURE FROM ISTANBUL TO COVER OTHER
POSTS. NATIONAL ELECTIONS ARE SCHEDULED TO TAKE
PLACE JUNE 5. IF ELECTIONS RESULT IN A COALITION
GOVERNMENT, IT COULD BE MANY MONTHS BEFORE GOVERNMENT
WOULD BE FORMED. PREVIOUS ELECTIONS WERE
FOLLOWED BY PERIODS OF 101 AND 180 DAYS WITHOUT
A GOVERNMENT AND FILLED WITH EXTENSIVE POLITICAL

VIOLENCE. AS NOTED FROM THE MAY 1 DISORDERS, ISTANBUL IS ONE OF THE MOST VOLATILE CITIES IN TURKEY FROM STANDPOINT OF STUDENT/POLITICAL VIOLENCE.

3. ALTHOUGH SUMMER MONTHS DURING PREVIOUS TWO YEARS HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY QUIET ONCE THE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS RETURN TO THEIR HOME TOWNS, THE GENERAL ELECTION AND ITS AFTER EFFECTS MAKES IT VERY DIFFICULT TO PREDICT WHETHER SITUATION WILL WARRANT INTERIM RSO INANKARA. POST REQUESTS THAT SY PROGRAM AN INTERIM RSO FORANKARA DURING THE PERIOD JUNE 20 TO AUGUST 30. ON JUNE15, POST WILL EVALUATE SITUATION AND ADVISE IF INTERIM RSO WILL BE REQUIRED.

4. IF RSO TANNER'S SCHEDULE PERMITS, RSO RUNNER WILL BE AVAILABLE TO BRIEF HIM AT SY HEADQUARTERS ANY TIME DURING AUGUST.
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